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SUBJECT:IMPLEMENTATION OF CLEAN SLATE IN KINGSTON

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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY EAGLEBURGER AND
ASSISTANT SECRETARY ROGERS

1. WE HAVE LOOKED AT YOUR THOROUGHLY-CONSIDERED AND DETAIL-
ED PROPOSAL REFTEL TO MOVE TOWARD IMPLEMENTATION OF
REORGANIZATION PLAN. FOR OUR PART, WE FEEL NEED TO PROCEED
IN THE SAME CAREFUL AND THOROUGH MANNER. WE ARE PARTI-
CULARLY SENSITIVE TO YOUR CONCERN THAT WE HAVE THE AGREE-
MENT OF DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES HERE WHOSE
REPRESENTATIVES WOULD BE AFFECTED BY PROPOSED CHANGES IN
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EMBASSY KINGSTON. GIVEN THE SCOPE OF THESE RECOMMENDATIONS (INCLUDING SEVERAL THAT RAISE LEGAL QUESTIONS), WE WANT ANY VISITING TEAM TO BE WELL PREPARED IN ADVANCE.

2. IN LOOKING TOWARD MAKE-UP OF SUCH A TEAM, REGRET THAT SOHM IS NOT AVAILABLE. HOWEVER WINGATE LLOYD OF HIS M/MO STAFF IS NOW IN CARACAS WITH CHARLES GROVER OF DG/PER WORKING ON A SIMILAR PROBLEM. CARACAS IS FIRST STEP ON A TIGHT SCHEDULE THAT HAS LLOYD TRAVELING UNTIL FEBRUARY 11 AND GROVER UNTIL FEBRUARY 17. WITH THIS BACKGROUND, THEY WOULD BE LOGICAL CHOICES TO GO TO KINGSTON, ALONG WITH A REPRESENTATIVE OF ARA/MGT WHICH SHOULD BE REPRESENTED ON ANY TEAM.

3. IN BRIEF, TO PUT TOGETHER A WELL-QUALIFIED TWO OR THREE MEMBER TEAM AND GET THEM ADEQUATELY BRIEFED WILL TAKE TIME. ALL THINGS CONSIDERED, INCLUDING YOUR OWN LEAVE PLANS, WE WOULD EXPECT A REALISTIC TEAM ETA WOULD BE THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 23.

4. WE COMMEND YOU AND YOUR STAFF FOR AN ENERGETIC AND CREATIVE APPROACH TO THIS EFFORT. WE ASSURE YOU THAT WE WILL GIVE YOU OUR FULL COOPERATION IN THIS IMPORTANT EFFORT. INGERSOLL

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